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THE SENSATIONAL SPIDER-MAN®

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FEATURING

KA-ZAR™

TROUBLE IN PARADISE

GUEST STARRING

THE INCREDIBLE HULK®

TARKO GREEN

PROLOGUE

THE FLORIDA KEYS...

...AN ARCHIPELAGO OF SMALL **ISLANDS** OFF THE FLORIDA COAST -- RENOWNED FOR THEIR **PLEASANT** AND **SPECTACULAR SUNSETS.**

THIS ISLAND, HOWEVER, IS NOW SIMPLY KNOWN AS -- **"THE HULK'S!"**

WEEKS AGO, HAVING GROWN **TIRED** OF THE **PARANOID POLITICS** OF THE **U.S. GOVERNMENT,** THE HULK COMMANDEERED THIS TINY ISLAND --

CRASH BOOM BANG

-- CLAIMING IT TO BE HIS **HIDEAWAY,** HIS **REFUGE...** HIS **SANCTUARY!**

AND WOE BE TO ANY WHO DARE **TRESPASS** ON **HULK'S ISLAND!**

SEE CURRENT ISSUES OF THE INCREDIBLE HULK – Incredible Ralf.

THE MONSTERS STARTED SHOWING UP **HOURS** AGO -

THIS IS **FUTILE!**

I COULD **BASH** MONSTERS ALL DAY LONG, BUT THAT DOESN'T GET ME **ANY-WHERE!**

SOMEONE -- OR SOME**THING** -- IS DRIVING THESE MONSTERS **OFF** MONSTER ISLAND...

GRAB

YANK

SWING

WHUD

...AND I THINK IT'S TIME I **FOUND OUT WHO IT IS!**

AND JUST FOR ***WRECKIN'*** MY ***DAY***...

...I'M GONNA ***WHUP*** THIS JOKER ***TWICE!***

JUMP

HE HURLS HIMSELF INTO THE SKIES -- PROPELLED BY THE ***MIGHTIEST LEGS*** ON THE ***PLANET***...

...A ***GAMMA-SPAWNED JUGGERNAUT***, ONCE HE WAS THE FRAIL SCIENTIST, Dr. ROBERT BRUCE BANNER -- NOW HE IS SIMPLY THE ***INCREDIBLE HULK!***

NOW LET'S SEE IF ***MOLE MAN'S HOME*** --

MOLE MAN -- THE DIMINUTIVE MASTER OF ALL MONSTERS AND RULER OF MONSTER ISLE. -- Diminutive Ralf.

THOOM

NOPE. ***MOLEY*** DIDN'T DO ***THIS***...

NAH... WHATEVER TOOK OUT THESE BRUTES WAS SOMETHIN' BIG! SOMETHIN' --

-- Huh?!

KRAW!

-- SOMETHIN' THAT LOOKS LIKE A HOUSE WITH FEATHERS!

THE SAVAGE LAND.

A NATURAL WONDER.

A VAST TROPICAL BASIN CARVED INTO THE FROZEN ANTARCTIC GLACIERS -- A HIDDEN PARADISE.

BUT NOW THOSE GLACIERS ARE MELTING -- A RESULT OF THE HOLE MAN HAS GOUGED OUT OF THE ATMOSPHERIC OZONE LAYER.

AND DESPITE THE BEST EFFORTS OF LARGE CORPORATIONS UTILIZING THE MOST ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, THE FIGHT TO HALT THE MELTING HAS BECOME A FUTILE ONE...

WOW.

...THEY CANNOT STOP THE WATER -- THEY CANNOT BATTLE NATURE.

THE SAVAGE LAND... IS DROWNING!

STAN LEE Presents:

KA-ZAR, SHANNA THE SHE-DEVIL, ZABU -- Oh, AND THE SENSATIONAL SPIDER-MAN IN:

DELUGE

PART TWO

A TODD DEZAGO • MIKE WIERINGO • RICHARD CASE • RS/COMICRAFT/KS
GREGORY WRIGHT • GCW • RALPH MACCHIO - BOB HARRAS VENTURE!

HIGHER GROUND

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AND YET THERE ARE STILL THOSE WHO **REFUSE** TO GIVE UP **HOPE**.

SPIDER-MAN HAS COME HERE TO **AID** HIS **FRIENDS** -- **KEVIN PLUNDER**, KNOWN TO THE WORLD AS **KA-ZAR**; STRANDED HERE AS A YOUTH AND NOW -- **LORD** OF THE **SAVAGE LAND**, AND HIS WIFE, **SHANNA** --

-- AS THEY **DESPERATELY** **ATTEMPT** TO FIND SOME WAY TO SAVE THEIR JUNGLE **HOME**.

IT'S LIKE THAT ***ALL OVER*** -- THE MELTING ***ICE'S POURING*** INTO THE SAVAGE LAND IN ***TORRENTS!***

THE LOWLANDS ARE ***FLOODED!*** WE'VE MOVED THE ***FALL PEOPLE*** TO HIGHER GROUND ***ONCE*** ALREADY --

-- BUT IF ***ROXXON, S.H.I.E.L.D.*** AND THE ***U.N.*** DON'T COME UP WITH A WAY TO STOP THIS ***SOON*** --

-- WE'RE GONNA RUN OUT OF ***UP*** TO GO TO..!

KA-ZAR!

<WHAT'S UP, TONGA?>

TRANSLATED FROM FALL-PEOPLE-ESE -- Um-Ralf-a.

<MATHALA HAS A TALE -->

<-- I THINK YOU SHOULD HEAR...>

<I WILL **SHARE** WITH YOU, KA-ZAR, THOUGH YOU ARE **NOT** OF **OUR TRIBE**. YOU HAVE **HELPED** US **MANY** TIMES AND YOU **RESPECT** OUR **WAY** -->

<-- YOUR **WOMAN** MAY STAY, IF YOU WISH -- AND THE MAN CLOAKED AS A **SPIDER**, ALSO -- BECAUSE HE WILL NOT **UNDERSTAND** US **ANYWAY**.

HE'S TALKIN' ABOUT ME, ISN'T HE?

<BAD DISGUISE. I WOULD NOT MISTAKE HIM FOR A SPIDER...>

<THE LEGEND BEGINS ***LONG AGO***, WHEN OUR PEOPLE WERE ***YOUNG*** AND STILL ***FOOLISH*** ENOUGH TO JOURNEY INTO THE ***ICELANDS*** ABOVE >

<...THERE, OUR ***ANCESTORS*** LEARNED THAT IT IS NOT OUR ***DESTINY*** TO VENTURE OUT BEYOND OUR ***JUNGLE VALLEY***, OR ***WE*** WOULD FACE THE ***WRATH*** OF OUR ***PROTECTOR*** -->

<-- THE LEGENDARY ***CHTYLOK!*** ALSO CALLED ***NAKRA***, ALSO CALLED THE ***CHE-K'N KAU*** -->

DID HE JUST SAY *'CHICKEN COW'*...?

Shhh.

<IT IS **BIGGER** THAN THE **BIG LIZARDS!** IT CAN FLY LIKE A **BIRD!** IT CAN **STAB** YOU WITH ITS TAIL -->

<IT CAN **RIP** YOUR **FACE OFF!**>

<IT SENT OUR **WARRIORS** BACK TO THE **VILLAGE** IN **PIECES** -- A **WARNING** FROM OUR **GUARDIAN** THAT WE **STAY** IN THE **VALLEY!**>

<FOR EVER AFTER, WITH EACH NEW MOON, OUR PEOPLE HAVE LEFT AN **OFFERING** TO OUR PROTECTOR, **CHTYLOK,** FOR IT IS TOLD -->

<-- ONE DAY A TERRIBLE **DISASTER** WILL THREATEN TO **WASH** OVER OUR **VALLEY.**>

<BUT **THEN** -->

<-- THE GREAT **CHTYLOK** WILL **RISE** FROM OUT OF THE **EARTH** TO **SAVE US** FROM THAT WHICH WOULD **DESTROY US!**>

<SO YOU SEE, WHILE YOUR ACTIONS ARE **WORTHY,** YOU WORRY **NEEDLESSLY** -- OUR **SALVATION** LIES IN **LEGEND** -- THE **CHTYLOK** IS **COMING** -->

<-- THE **CHTYLOK** WILL **SAVE US!**>

<KA-ZAR! KA-ZAR -- YOU MUST COME! IT'S YADA!

<SHE IS STILL DOWN IN THE LOWLANDS -- SHE REFUSES TO LEAVE HER HOME..!?

SOON...

WHO'S YADA?

CRAZY WOMAN WHO LIVES ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE VILLAGE -- ALONE -- WITH A BUNCH OF ANIMALS...

HER HUT IS DOWN BY THE RELAY STATION.

WHAT RELAY STATION..?

SHOW YOU LATER.

<KA-ZAR -- NO! I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE! THIS IS MY HOME!

<THIS IS MY HOME!?

RONK!

<YADA -- THE WATER IS COMING AND YOU'RE LEAVING -->

<-- NOW MOVE!>

MOAK HOONAS! MOAK HOONAS!

?

WH- WHAT'S SHE *SAYING?*

SOMETHING ABOUT *HER BABY!*

RONK

MOAK HOONAS! NANA HOONAS...

YOUR *BABY?!*

WELL, BY *ALL MEANS,* MA'AM -- LET'S GET YOUR *BA-*

...uh...

<MY BABY...>

...*SPIDEY!*

HEY! YOU *OKAY?*

WE GOTTA *GET GOING.* THE *WATER* COULD BE HERE ANY *MINUTE..!*

UM... YEAH -- YEAH, LET'S GO...

INTERLUDE:

POW

SKRASH

OOF!

SKRAW!

C'MON -- YOU WANNA *PIECE* OF -

KLUB

UNGH!

KRRRR ?

WAP

OKAY, *BIRD* -- LET'S-

SLICE

AKK!

THUD

THAT *CUTS* IT --

WHAMO

KRRRRK

SHOOOP

THUD

HEY -- WHERE YA *GOIN'..?*

... I'M NOT *DONE* WITH YOU YET..!

MEANWHILE...

-- THERE IT *IS!*

IT'S ONE OF THE SEVERAL ***RELAY STATIONS*** THE OIL COMPANY, ***ROXXON,*** HAS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE SAVAGE LAND --

-- FROM WHAT ***ROTH,*** THE GUY WHO'S ***HEADING*** UP THE PROJECT FOR ***ROXXON,*** TOLD ME --

-- THEY RELAY BOTH ***COMMUNICATIONS AND MICROWAVE ENERGY*** BACK TO THE ***COMMAND CENTER*** TO ***POWER*** THOSE MASSIVE ***REFRIGERATION UNITS*** AROUND THE ***GLACIERS.*** THEY ALSO MONITOR THE ***CLIMATE*** AND ***GEOLOGICAL STATUS*** OF THEIR LOCATIONS.

THEY'RE ***UGLY.***

WOW! LOOKS LIKE ROXXON PULLED OUT ***ALL THE STOPS*** TO --

-- ***HEY?!***

I'M NO ***BILL GATES,*** BUT IT'S ***EASY*** TO SEE THAT THINGS AREN'T ***COOL!*** -- THOSE ROXXON ***SQUIDS*** AREN'T TRYING TO ***RE-FREEZE*** THE GLACIERS --

ROXXON RELAY STA. 5

TRANSMISSION MICROWAVE

ENERGY FROM STARWELL SATELITE

...21000 ...RCVD TRANSMISSIONS

TO HEATING CORE C, G, J ...RCVD

RATE OF MELT ...71/22 SCS/UNT

INCREASE MICROWAVE TRANS

...LOADING

-- THEY'RE ***MELTING THEM!***

WHAT?!

IT'S *TRUE..!* THE *REFRIGERATION UNITS* ARE ACTUALLY --

-- BUT, *WHY WOULD THEY...*

Uh... *GUYS* -- I THINK I HAVE THE ANSWER TO *THAT ONE,* TOO.

THIS ISN'T JUST A *RELAY STATION* --

-- IT'S AN *OIL RIG!*

ROXXON'S *PRIMED* TO *DRILL* -- THEY'VE GOT EVERYTHING IN *PLACE!*

OMIGOD!

WHA --

IT ALL *FITS TOGETHER... PETROLEUM* IS A *FOSSIL FUEL* -- COMES FROM *DEAD DINOSAURS* --

-- DINOSAURS HAVE BEEN *HERE* FOR A *LONG TIME,* SO THERE MUST BE *A LOT* OF *OIL* UNDER THE SAVAGE LAND...

BUT... BUT THE SAVAGE LAND IS ***PROTECTED*** BY ***U.N. CHARTER*** FROM ANY ***CORPORATE INTERESTS!***

IT'S ***ILLEGAL*** TO ***DRILL*** FOR ***OIL HERE*** --

IF THERE ***IS*** A ***SAVAGE LAND!*** --

-- BUT IF IT ***SUDDENLY*** BECOMES ***COVERED*** WITH ***WATER,*** IT'S ***OPEN SEASON!*** THE ***MANDATES*** BECOME ***VOID!***

THEY'RE ***DRowning*** THE ***SAVAGE LAND*** FOR THE ***BLASTED*** OIL! ***I WON'T LET THEM DO THAT!*** NOT TO THESE PEOPLE -- NOT TO ***MY...*** HOME.

NOT HERE.

MEANWHILE...

SSSSO LONG DID I *FIGHT* TO RETURN HERE, TO MY *HOME* -- TO THE *SSSAVAGE LAND* --

-- DESSSPERATE TO *FLEE* THE *SSSELF-DESSTRUCTIVE INSSSANITY* OF *MAN'SSS WORLD!* --

-- ONLY TO *SSSUCCUMB* TO THE *ELEMENTSSS* -- *FROZEN SOLID* IN A *GLACIER* MERE *YARDSSS* FROM MY *ULTIMATE GOAL!* *

AND NOW THAT I HAVE *AWAKENED* FROM MY *ICCCY HIBERNATION*, I FIND MY HOME *SSSWARMING* WITH -- *

* IN THE VERY COOL **THUNDERSTRIKE #20** – *Refrigerated Ralf.*

-- MAN!

MOVING EARTH -- TEARING UP THE *JUNGLE* WITH THEIR *MACHINESSS* -- MAKING THE *WATERSSS* OF THE *LAKESSS* AND *RIVERSSS* TO *RISSSE*...

...MAN HAS *DESSSTROYED* THE *OUTERWORLD* WITH HISSS *WAR* AND *POLLUTION* -- BUT I WILL NOT *ALLOW* HIM TO SSSPREAD HIS *CANCER* HERE --

--SSSO *SSSWEARSSS SSSTEGRON!*

* SSSEE LASSST ISSUE– *Ralf.*

MILES AWAY --

-- IN THE OBSERVATION TOWER OF THE ROXXON/S.H.I.E.L.D. COMMAND CENTER --

-- WHERE PROJECT SUPERVISOR, SPECIAL AGENT CHRIS TOWNSEND, BRIEFS HIS TOP MEN ON PLANS TO EVACUATE THE SAVAGE LAND...

Dr. ROTH, SIR --

...AND OF THE THREE, THE GREAT WESTERN LAKE LOOKS LIKE IT'S GONNA LET GO FIRST, SO...

-- THAT... "PROBLEM" DOWN AT RELAY STATION FIVE IS BEING DEALT WITH AS PER YOUR ORDERS.

THE STRIKE TEAM HAS BEEN DEPLOYED ALONG WITH THREE OF THE TAA UNITS.

GOOD. THAT'S VERY GOOD...

...I WANT HIM REMOVED FROM THIS EQUATION QUICKLY!

I REALIZE THAT I COULD JUST AS SIMPLY LET THAT SAVAGE DROWN, BUT HE HAS A REPUTATION FOR BEING TENACIOUS..!

...I PREFER KNOWING THAT THE MEDDLING KA-ZAR IS DEAD AND OUT OF MY WAY!

IT MAY BE MESSIER, BUT I WON'T HAVE TO WASH MY HANDS...

INTERLUDE

TWISTING AND WINDING MILES BENEATH THE EARTH'S SURFACE --

KRUNK

POW

WAM

-- A NETWORK OF TUNNELS AND CAVERNS CONNECT MONSTER ISLE --

BOOM

KRAK

THUD

-- TO A MULTITUDE OF VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON EACH AND EVERY CONTINENT ON THE GLOBE.

USED BY THE ABSENT MOLE MAN AND HIS MONSTERS FOR ACCESS INTO THE OUTER WORLD --

SLAM

BAM

KRUNKH

-- TODAY, THEY HAVE BECOME A BATTLEZONE!

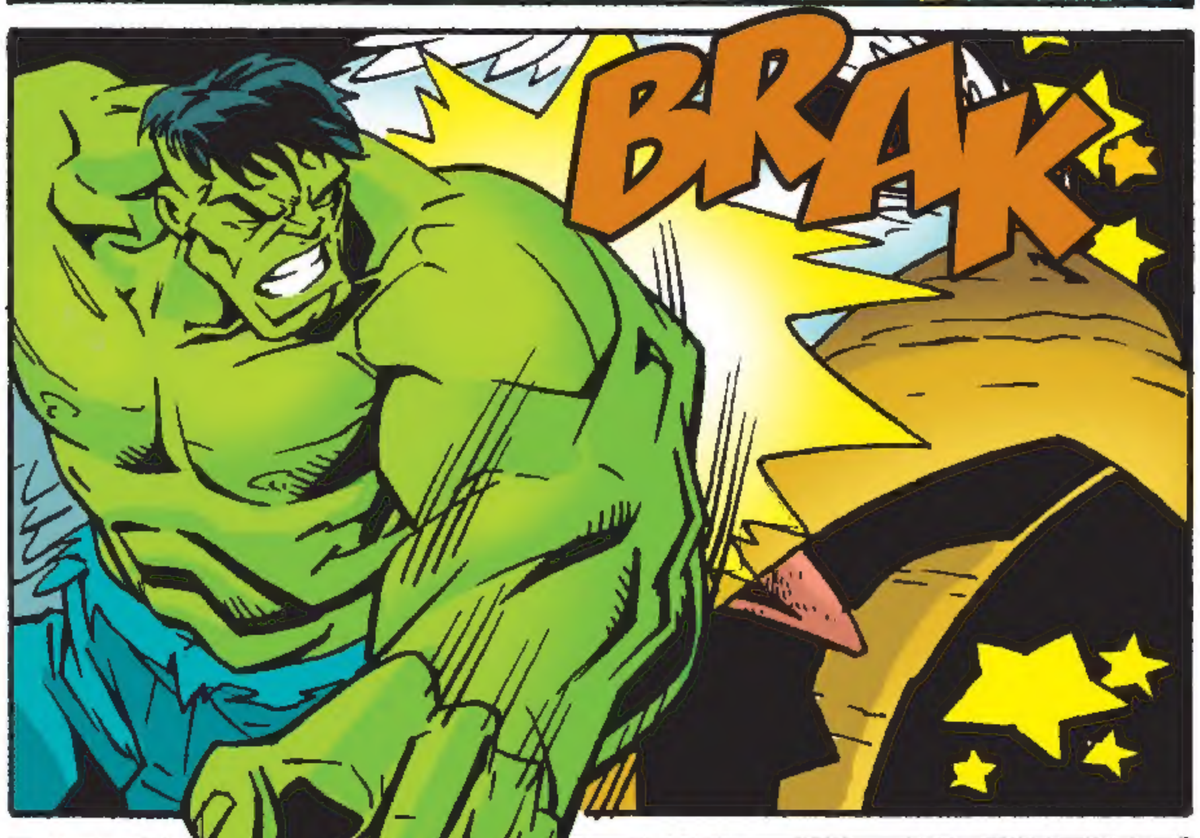
KRRRRRR

KRRRRR

NNG!
SKRRKK

KOW

WUNK
NF!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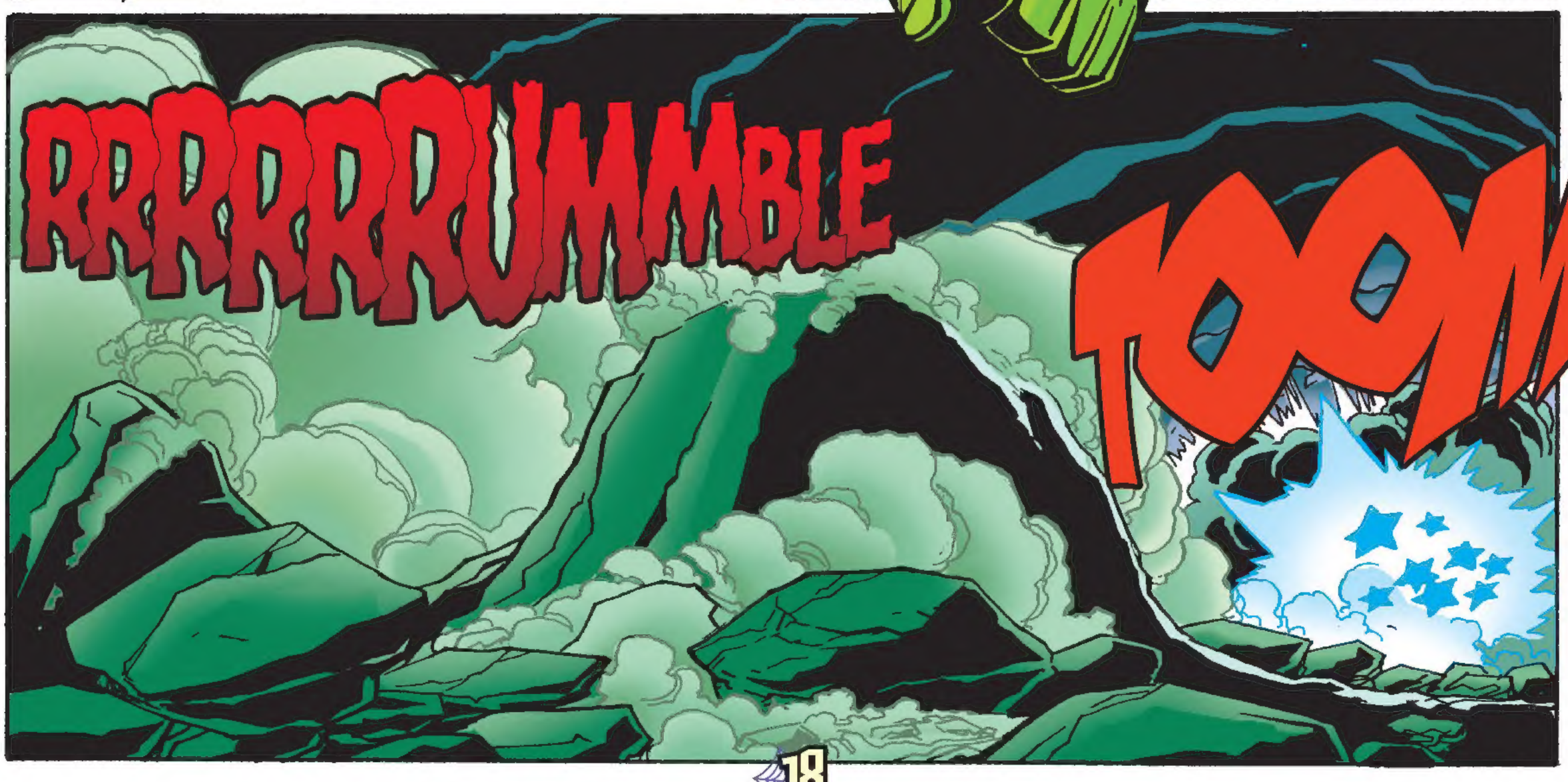
RRRRRRUMMBLE
TOOM

AND --

ROXXON'S GONNA *PAY FOR THIS* -- AND ALL OF *S.H.I.E.L.D* WON'T BE ABLE TO *HOLD ME BACK!*

KA-ZAR, WAIT --

I'M GONNA FIND THAT *ROTH* AND I'M GONNA *TEAR* HIM *A NEW* --

ALL RIGHT, BUT WOULDJA *WAITAMINNIT?!*

WHAT?! WHAT COULD BE --

THAT.

HALT!

YOU ARE IN *VIOLATION* OF *U.N. CHARTER* AND *GUILTY* OF *TRESPASSING* ON *ROXXON* --

TRESPASSING..?!

...TRESPASSING...?!

YOU COME IN HERE -- TO MY HOME -- TO ORCHESTRATE THE GREATEST ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER OF ALL TIME --

-- AND YOU ACCUSE ME OF TRESPASSING?! DO YOU EVEN KNOW --

THIS IS UNIT 2 -- I'VE GOT HIM IN MY SIGHTS --

-- PERMISSION TO TERMINATE?

WHOA! WHOA! WHOA! --

--KA-ZAR!--

THAT'S AFFIRMATIVE, UNIT 2.

FLAK

FLAK

FLAK

-- MOVE!

WHAT THE -- YOU MISSED! HOW COULD Y --

NOW YOU SSSHALL PAY --

SHUNK

-- YOU SSSHALL ALL PAY -- WITH YOUR LIVESSS!

MAN MAY CHOOSSSE TO ABUSSSE AND DESTROY THE OUTER WORLD -- BUT THAT WILL NOT HAPPEN HERE!

HERE, THE TIME HASSS COME FOR MAN TO DIE --

-- AND FOR THE DINOSAURSSS TO RULE!

OBOY!

NEXT ISSUE:

WHEW! LIKE WE GOTTA TELL YOU..! THE WEB-FLUID **REALLY** HITS THE FAN WHEN THE DINOSAURS STOMP **EVERYONE** INTO **DENTUCREME** AND WE CHANGE THE NAME OF THE BOOK TO:

THE SENSATIONAL STEGRON!

[...IT **COULD** HAPPEN...]